

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 2, line 3 as follows:

This application is a ~~continuing~~ continuation application of and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/389,290 entitled "Systems and Methods For Assessing Documents Using Analysis of Machine-Printed Writing and Pre-Printed Information" filed by Houle, et al. on March 14, 2003, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/364,675 entitled "Systems and Methods for Handwriting Analysis in Documents," filed March 15, 2002.